MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON SENIOR HEALTH, SECURITY AND RETIREMENT

327 House Office Building

Tuesday 12:00 P.M.

February 12, 2008

Representative Robert Jones, Chair, called the Committee meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Robert Jones, Constan, Hopgood, Lemmons Jr., Warren, Ball, Green, Stahl.
ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Sheen.

The Chair laid HB 5669 before the Committee for the purpose of hearing testimony.

HB 5669 Constan

Criminal procedure; arrests; complainant's signature requirement to file a criminal complaint in cases alleging vulnerable adult abuse; prohibit magistrate from refusing to accept complaint because signed upon information and belief by individual other than the victim.

Representative Constan reviewed the provisions of HB 5669 with the Committee. The bill sponsor also explained changes contained in a proposed H-1 substitute version of the bill.

Kirk Gliszen, representing Citizens for Better Care, spoke to the Committee regarding HB 5669 and indicated support for the bill.

Tom Robertson, representing the Prosecuting Attorneys Council, spoke to the Committee in support of HB 5669.

Sally Steiner, representing the Office of Services to the Aging, spoke to the Committee in support of the concept of the bill.

Stephanie Johnson-Wattke, representing the Michigan Advocacy Project, submitted a card indicating support for the bill.

The Chair indicated that a vote on HB 5669 will be taken at a future meeting of the Committee.

Representative Constan made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of December 12, 2007. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

Representative Stahl made a motion to excuse absent members. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

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There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Robert Jones declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 12:38 p.m.

Representative Robert Jones, Chair

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